

RESOLUTION NO. -2020

**RESOLUTION OF PUBLIC SUPPORT
FOR THE “#8CANTWAIT PROGRAM”**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Millville acknowledges the nationwide public concern about the excessive use of force by law enforcement officers particularly given the recent death of George Floyd while in the custody of the City of Minneapolis Police Department; and

WHEREAS, City officials have recently met with officials from local chapters of th NAACP and heard their concerns about the prevention of the use of excessive force against minorities within the City of Millville; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid NAACP officials have recommended that the City implement the “#8CANTWAIT PROGRAM;” and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid officials have also recommended that the City establish Community Review Boards on Police Practices to review charges concerning the excessive use of force and other misconduct by law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Attorney General is currently studying the adoption of such Community Review Boards in the State of New Jersey, but has yet to implement any such new policy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Millville, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey that:

1. The Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Police are strongly urged to support and continue the “#8CANTWAIT PROGRAM;” and
2. Pending the adoption and implementation by the Attorney General of a Community Review Board Policy, the Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Police are also strongly urged to consider the adoption of a Community Policing Review Committee.

Moved By:

Seconded By:

<u>VOTING</u>	<u>In Favor</u>	<u>Against</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Michael Santiago				
W. James Parent				
Ashleigh Udalovas				
Joseph Pepitone				
Bruce Cooper				

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners, of the City of Millville in the County of Cumberland, at a meeting thereof held on August 18, 2020.

Jeanne M. Hitchner, City Clerk